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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In the Specification:

On page 2, please add the following paragraph before the paragraph beginning with "It is known per se from DE 32 32 288 C1".

It is known per se from US 4 411 681 A to raise a plunger first into its end operating position in which a ring of the plunger lies against an undivided guide ring of a neck mold (Figures 1 to 3). A glass gob then falls into a filling orifice of a mold cavity of a longitudinally- and transversely-divided parison mold and onto the tip of the plunger. A blow head is introduced from the top into the filling orifice (Figure 2) and blows the glass gob firmly into the parison mold and the neck mold and around the plunger, wherein a space is existing between the blow head and the glass (Figure 3). The plunger is subsequently lowered into a middle position (Figure 4). Compressed air is introduced through the neck and preliminarily blows the parison until it also contacts the blow head. Finally, the finished parison is removed from the parison

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